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FM FBIS OKINAWA JAPAN
TO RHHMBRA/CINCPACFLT MAKALAPA HI
RUDOMKA/FBIS LONDON ENGLAND
RUDOMLA/FBIS CAVERSHAM/DW
RUHQHQA/CINCPAC HONOLULU HI
RUHVAAA/CINCPACAF
RUMJQB/AMEMB BANGKOK THAILAND
RUTLAAA/FBIS WASHDC
INFO RAYWYJ/JIO CANBERRA
RHAIBQA/USAGO MAKIMINATO JAPAN
RHMIAAA/13AF (IN) CLARK AB PHILIPPINES
RUADKEA/18TH TFW OKINAWA JAPAN
RUADKEA/313TH AD/CVD OKINAWA JAPAN
RUAOAHA/376TH STRAT WG/DCI
RUCIMAA/COMAC
RUCLAKA/CDR 4TH PSYOP GROUP FT BRAGG NC
RUCSAAE/SAC INTELLIGENCE OPERATIONS CENTER OFFUTT AFB NEB
RUEACMC/CMC (INTC)
RUEACMC/CMC (MSPA-1)
RUEADWD/CSA (DAAG-CAD)
RUEADWD/CSA (DAMI-DOO-HP)
RUEBARA/NAVINTCOM
RUEBARA/NAVINTCOM (NIC-00K)
RUEFHQA/CSAF (AFIN)
RUFHRB/AMCONSUL ZURICH
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HANOI VNA FRENCH 131254 XXX 19 JUNE 1976.

((TEXT)) NOTE FROM THE U.S. STATE DEPARTMENT TO THE DRV
MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

THE STATE DEPARTMENT HAS RECEIVED THE 19 JULY NOTE OF THE
DRV MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

THE UNITED STATES IS OF THE SAME OPINION THAT THE DISCUSSIONS
BETWEEN THE REPRESENTATIVES OF OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS IN PARIS ARE TO
BE APPROPRIATE AND USEFUL. THE UNITED STATES IS EXPECTING TO BE
REPRESENTED AT THIS MEETING BY THE DEPUTY CHIEF OF MISSION OF
THE U.S. EMBASSY IN PARIS AND SUGGESTS THAT THE MEETING TAKE
PLACE AT THE U.S. EMBASSY OR ANOTHER LOCALITY AGREED UPON BY THE
TWO PARTIES.

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THE UNITED STATES IS PLEASED WITH THE ASSURANCE GIVEN BY THE VIETNAMESE GOVERNMENT TO MAKE EFFORTS IN A VIEW TO LESSENING THE ANXIETY OF THE AMERICAN FAMILIES WHO HAD THEIR RELATIVES DEAD OR STILL CONSIDERED MISSING IN VIETNAM. A COMPLETE REPORT ON THE MIA'S AND THE RAPATHION OF THE REMAINS OF THOSE WHO WERE DEAD IS A QUESTION OF THE IMPORTANCE FOR THE UNITED STATES. THE SOLUTION OF THIS HUMANITARIAN BASIC PROBLEM WILL BE A FUNDAMENTAL CONSIDERATION FOR THE UNITED STATES IN ALL DISCUSSIONS.

THE UNITED STATES DOES NOT CONSIDER THAT IT IS HER OBLIGATION TO PROVIDE AN AID OF RECONSTRUCTION TO VIETNAM, AS THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS HAS PRETENDED IN HER NOTE. AS THE UNITED STATES HAS ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS, SHE HAS THE INTENTION TO LOOK TO THE FUTURE RATHER THAN TO THE PAST, CONCERNING HER RELATIONS WITH VIETNAM. THESE RELATIONS MUST BE DEVELOPED ON THE BASIS OF MUTUAL INTERESTS.

IF THESE SUGGESTIONS ON THE MEETING ARE SATISFACTORY, THE UNITED STATES IS READY TO DISCUSS WITH VIEW TO SETTING FORTH A MUTUALLY SUITABLE DATE FOR THE MEETING OF OUR REPRESENTATIVES AND TO ESTABLISH THE PROCEDURES OF THIS MEETING.

((SIGNED)) DEPARTMENT OF STATE

WASHINGTON, 19 JULY 1976.

NOTE FROM THE SRV FOREIGN MINISTRY TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE.

THE DRV FOREIGN MINISTRY ACKNOWLEDGES RECEPTION OF THE 19 JULY 1976 NOTE FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE.

THE DRV GOVERNMENT HAS, ON MANY OCCASIONS, CLEARLY UNDERLINED ITS POINT OF VIEW REGARDING THE PARIS AGREEMENT AND THE NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONS BETWEEN VIETNAM AND THE UNITED STATES. THIS STAND WAS ALSO AFFIRMED IN ITS 19 JUNE 1976 NOTE ADDRESSED TO THE UNITED STATES.

AS FAR AS THE MEETING OF THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE TWO PARTIES IN PARIS IS CONCERNED, THE DRV SUGGESTS THE FOLLOWING:

THE SRV REPRESENTATIVE WILL BE THE COUNSELLOR OF THE EMBASSY OF VIETNAM IN PARIS.

THE MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE OUTSIDE OF THE EMBASSY OF EACH PARTY; THE TWO PARTIES WILL TAKE TIME IN MAKING ARRANGEMENTS ON THIS SUBJECT.

IF THE AMERICAN PARTIES APPROVE THE SUGGESTION, THE LIAISON OFFICERS OF THE TWO PARTIES WILL PROCEED TO AN EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON THE DATE AND PLACE OF THE FIRST MEETING.

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